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Cases will arise in which a permittee is or has been discharging effluent with nitrogen and/or phosphorus concentrations lower than (i.e., better than) the minimum requirements of a general variance found in **Table 12B-1**, but the resulting concentrations at the edge of the mixing zone still exceed the base numeric nutrient standards. Such permitted discharges are within the scope of the general variance.

For permittees whose effluent concentrations were, before July 1, 2017, lower than the concentrations in **Table 12B-1**, the general variance shall be based on the actual total N and/or total P concentrations of their effluent. For permittees who, after July 1, 2017, attain or do better than the **Table 12B-1** values, the **Table 12B-1** values shall establish the permit limits.
